Lesson 3

Please, Thank You, and You’re Welcome! (10 pts.)

*(the magic words, in any language)*

When you make new acquaintances, and even new friends, in your host country, it is important that you treat **everyone** you meet with respect and courtesy, in order to establish a good rapport (huh?) and to make a good impression as an American in your host country.

Here is your task:

**First, log on to:** [**www.survivalphrases.com**](http://www.survivalphrases.com)

**Second, select the language of your culture.**

**Third, find the lesson for “Getting What You Want” or search for “Please,” etc.**

**Then,** **download the PDF file to read to complete this worksheet below for homework. Copy and paste the worksheet onto a new Word document, and complete the questions. When finished with your worksheet, save it as “PleaseLastname” and save it to your flash drive. Upload it to the Wiki.**

**Finally, you need to complete the Audio recording file in class. See your Audio Recording File Instruction sheet for information as to how to record and upload an audio file.**

**So let’s get to the worksheet! Answer the following questions. Don’t forget to upload both your worksheet and your audio file to the WIKI when finished!**

1. How do you say “Please” in your host culture?

To say please in your in Chinese you say Qing.

1. Are there any other ways to say “Please”? When are they used? List them here:

There are many other ways to say please in Chinese such as:

Qing gei wo- Please give me

Qing gei wo zhege –please give me this

Qing gei won age- Please give me that

1. Are there any special situations where the word or phrase for “Please” can be used? (hint: check for “Quick Tips”)

When getting something from a vendor, say Qing gei wo, this would be very clear as to what you want.

***(continue on to do the lesson on “Thank you.”) ↓***

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1. What is the expression for “Thank you.” In your host culture?

To say thank you, you would say xie xie.

1. Name at least three situations where you should respond with “Thank you” in your host culture:

When someone does something for you, when someone cooks dinner for you, and when someone buys you something.

1. Are there any other special expressions for special situations? What are they? For example, are there sometimes when you need to be more respectful? Does it depend upon whether you know the person or not?

You need to use a politer thank you when you are speaking to a respected adult & it doesn’t matter whether you know the person or not.

1. How do you express a degree of thankfulness in your host culture (for example, “Thank you very much!)?

It matters very much.

***(continue on to do the lesson on “You’re welcome!”) ↓***

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1. Is there a universal (appropriate for all situations) way to say “You’re welcome!” in your host country? What is it?

A universal way to say you’re welcome is Bu yong xie.

What are some of the situations where you can use it? (hint: check “Quick Tips”)

When you are talking to a person and they did something for you.

1. Is there a more formal way to say “You’re welcome!” in your host country? What is it?

A formal way to say you’re welcome is bu keqi.

1. What are any other ways to say “You’re welcome!”?

Other ways to say you’re welcome are: Mei shi, Bu keqi, and Bu yong xie.

***(Looking ahead: Your next lesson will be on how to introduce yourself and to ask for someone else’s name).***